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I have been much interested in your letter of February twelfth. This does sound like a most interesting project. Unfortunately, however, I am planning to spend the coming summer in Europe, leaving [redacted] sometime in June and returning well after the beginning of September. Preparations for this trip have been going on for a long time, and I have commitments in England and Sweden where I have to discuss [redacted] [redacted] a translation project we have under way here.

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Under these circumstances, barring an unforeseen change in plans, I am afraid that I shall not be able to accept your invitation. Let me add, however, that I am refraining from doing so with sincere regret.

Sincerely yours,

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